

Historical Experiences and Textile:

Political Violence, Migration, and Environmental Pollution

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Works by Masa'aki Takahashi

- *Chile, The Trees of the People Rustling in the Storm* (Otsuki Shoten, 1990)
 - Visits to Chile in 1989 and 1990
 - Connections with arpillera workshops
- 'The world of Pobladores' (1) (2)
 - Articles analysing testimonies of residents in poor districts (población) in Chile
 - población Lo Hermida
 - población Nuevo Amanecer



• Memories of the military coup

"I don't think most people in the población were sure what was going on on the day of the coup, except for the leaders..." "Curfew was imposed night and day, almost all day long"

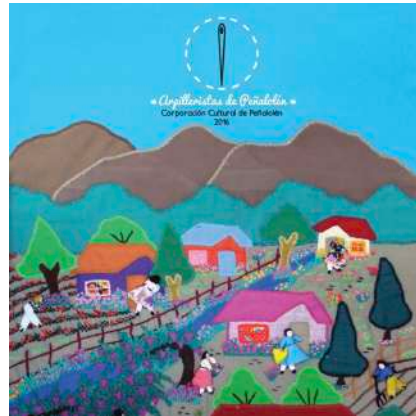
- A woman who gave birth to a baby 2 weeks after the coup: "I thought soldiers would kill this baby if taking him to the hospital". The closure of local clinics...

"For her, the hardships related to the coup were intertwined with these personal experiences, which centered around childbirth and baby care. These experiences were remembered within the context of the psychological impact of the coup, the repression in the campamentos, the distrust of doctors and hospitals, and the fear of the military"

'The World of Pobladores (2)' p112, 114, 117

Arpillera Making Today

- Arpillera Workshop in población Lo Hermida
 - Key figures: María Madariaga and Patricia Hidalgo
 - Corporación Cultural de Peñalolén (2016) *Arpilleras de Peñalolén* (<https://crespial.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/Arpilleras-Penalolen-Chile.pdf>)



Works and Activities of Las bordadoras hormigas Tanivet

From Exhibition "Arte Popular" at National Museum of Ethnology (Japan, 9 Mar – 30 May 2023)



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Relevant Cases inside Japan...

- Handicraft workshops organized by residents of the towns and villages near TEPCO's Fukushima Nuclear Powerplants
- The Nuclear Failure in 2011 as industrial pollution



Life-Sized Doll Making in Naraha



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Cloth Sandal Workshop

2011-
Originated from a collaborative effort between evacuees and the host city's residents



Indigo Dyeing Workshop

- Growing indigo: health risk lower than growing food
- Search for a new way to connect with the environment, culture, and history of the place

